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"Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest." John 4:35

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North Pacific Union Conference Session

Summary of Conference Proceedings

WE GAVE in the GLEANER last week a summary of the meetings of the conference session including the one held Saturday night, March 20. There were three meetings of the conference on Sunday, final adjournment being taken Sunday evening after a very interesting illustrated report by Elder H. L. Wood from the Alaska Mission field.

Most of the time Sunday was spent in considering the recommendations brought to the conference by the committee on plans. Very interesting and helpful discussions took place as these recommendations were presented and adopted. The recommendations appear in this issue of the paper.

Following the adoption of the report of the committee on plans, the committee on constitution gave a brief report, which was adopted as presented. The only change made was to provide that the notice of meetings of the conference need be published only in the GLEANER instead of in both the *Review and Herald* and the GLEANER.

The committee on credentials and licenses presented the following report, which was adopted by the conference on separate consideration of each name:

Ministerial Credentials: E. K. Slade, L. E. Esteb, G. S. Belleau, D. E. Collins, W. M. Landeen, F. A. Schilling, H. F. Saxton, D. A. Lower, F. M. Burg.

Ordination and Ministerial Credentials: J. C. Haussler.

Ministerial License: R. T. Emery, M. L. Neff.

Missionary License: Pearl Cook, Helen Burch, Loretta Galbraith, Dorothy Foreman, F. W. Peterson, H. R. Sittner, E. S. Cubley, P. W. Christian, P. T. Gibbs, G. W. Bowers, G. G. Kretschmar.

We recommend, That all other names be referred to the Union Conference Committee.

Following the conference meetings on Sunday, the balance of the week was spent in a very helpful ministerial institute. Very valuable instruction was given by Elders Spicer, Campbell,

Christian, and Froom. As these brethren brought their messages to the workers of the North Pacific Union, the workers felt a new responsibility and are going back to the fields encouraged for further service.

R. T. EMERY.

Recommendations Adopted at the Conference

Gratitude

WHEREAS, The Lord has protected and cared for His work in these days of financial stress, has preserved for us liberty of worship in a world where freedom has well nigh vanished, and has given us a glowing hope in the midst of a world full of fear and despair, and

WHEREAS, The faithful devotion and loyal service of our large constituency has resulted, under the blessing of heaven, in bringing encouraging growth and prosperity to all interests of the cause of God in the North Pacific Union Conference during the five years just ended;

Resolved, That we in Conference assembled unite with the brethren and sisters of our churches in an expression of gratitude to God and a new expression of allegiance to every principle sponsored by the remnant church, and that we dedicate anew our lives, our property, and our energies to the unfinished but rapidly closing work of giving the gospel to the world in this generation.

Sabbath School

1. We recommend, That the plans adopted by the General Conference at the sessions in San Francisco in 1936, calling for the establishment of branch Sabbath schools, be adopted by this Union and that we set as our special objective the establishment of an average of one branch Sabbath school for each existing Sabbath school during 1937.

WHEREAS, The goal for Silver Jubilee Sabbath for the world field has been set at \$150,000 for the Sabbath of June 26 of this year;

2. We recommend, That in the North Pacific Union, in order that we of cer-

tainty may reach our portion of the goal set for June 26, place the individual goal for this Union at Double Dollar Day, or \$2.00 per church member, for this special occasion.

3. We recommend, That local Sabbath schools provide both the lesson quarterly and the missions quarterly for their home division members, and that the conference church members be provided with the same supplies by each conference, promoting among these home division members at the same time the mission offering through the Sabbath school and the Sabbath school expense offering.

4. We recommend, That a Union Sabbath School Secretaries Council be held yearly at such time as may be arranged by the Union Committee.

5. We recommend, That a careful check be made during 1937 of all church and Sabbath school membership records to ascertain how many of the members of the church are missing from the Sabbath school, and that following this check-up, earnest efforts be made by local Sabbath school and church officers, district leaders and pastors to win all of the missing in their churches and districts to regular membership in the Sabbath school that they may receive of its blessings and privileges.

Missionary Volunteer

Believing that trained youth leadership will help to check the great loss of juniors, now experienced by the church;

We recommend, (1) That the ministry encourage the youth in the churches to qualify as Master Comrades.

(2) That a strong effort be launched during the remainder of 1937 to organize in each church the senior young people who desire to become Master Comrades.

WHEREAS, Over fifty per cent of our youth over fifteen years of age are not church members; and

WHEREAS, We are told through the Spirit of prophecy that "Preachers, or laymen advanced in years, cannot have one-half the influence upon the youth that the youth, devoted to God, can have upon their associates" (Vol. 1, p. 511);

We recommend, (1) That in each church the Christian young people be organized into prayer bands and per-

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sonal workers' bands to work for their unconverted associates.

(2) That proper leadership be provided for these groups.

Educational

WHEREAS, Our educational system is ordained of God to educate the youth "to exert an influence for God in the world" and to "prepare a people for the future, immortal life"; and

WHEREAS, The training that our youth receive in outside schools does not prepare them for the work in this message; therefore,

We recommend, That a greater effort be put forth by all our workers and churches to gather every child and youth of school age from a Seventh-day Adventist home into a Seventh-day Adventist school.

WHEREAS, There is a dearth of trained, Christian teachers for our elementary schools; and

WHEREAS, A well-trained teaching force will materially strengthen the work done in our elementary schools, and

WHEREAS, These schools are the very foundation of our entire educational system;

We recommend, That field workers, educators, and church leaders everywhere encourage many of our promising young people to look forward to and to prepare for entering the elementary teaching profession.

Publishing

WHEREAS, We have been told by the servant of the Lord, "Let those who have been in school go out into the field, and put to a practical use the knowledge they have gained. If canvassers will do this, using the ability which God has given them, seeking counsel from Him, and combining the work of selling books with personal labor for the people, their talents will increase by exercise, and they will learn many practical lessons they can not possibly learn in school. The education obtained in this practical way may properly be termed higher education." (Colporteur Evangelist, p. 24) And,

WHEREAS, The light given by the Spirit of prophecy is that "Those who are fitting for the ministry can engage in no other occupation that will give

them so large an experience as will the canvassing work," (Vol. 6, p. 344; CE, p. 84); therefore,

We recommend, That those looking forward to the ministry or departmental leadership be encouraged to spend at least one summer of faithful service in the colporteur ministry and that those seeking other lines of denominational employment be advised of the importance of obtaining an experience in the canvassing work.

Realizing that our colporteur work occupies a large place in the work of evangelism in the North Pacific Union, and that the servant of the Lord states "Our publications are now sowing the gospel seed, and are instrumental in bringing as many souls to Christ as the preached word" ("Christian Service," p. 146);

We recommend, (1) That in each conference a careful survey be made of the territory to be worked, and the number of colporteurs needed to work it, this number of colporteurs being taken as a recruiting objective.

(2) That the conference committee and field secretary pro-rate this number among the districts of the local conference, and that the superintendent of the district assist the field missionary secretary to recruit the necessary number from among the members of the district, these workers to be trained by the field secretary and retained in the district where they are recruited, unless a transfer be recommended by the publishing committee.

(3) That in selecting these workers, care be taken to maintain the high standard set for this work by the Word of God.

(4) That in the interest of economy, efficiency, and stability, we encourage men to make this colporteur ministry their life work, and engage in permanent all-the-year-round resident canvassing.

Review and Herald

WHEREAS, The Review and Herald Publishing Association is making a special offer on the Review from March 27 to April 10 of \$2.00 a year for subscriptions or renewals;

We recommend, (1) That the Book and Bible Houses of the North Pacific Union make arrangements with the churches whereby these subscriptions may be paid at the rate of 50 cents down and 50 cents a month until full payment is made; and further,

(2) We recommend, That a united effort on the part of church leaders and conference workers be made to place the Review in every Seventh-day Adventist home in the North Pacific Union Conference.

Sale of Writings of Spirit of Prophecy

WHEREAS, By vote of the Fall Council, the General Conference has recommended that beginning May 1, 1937, and extending through the camp meeting season a special effort be made to place the books containing the writings of the Spirit of prophecy in the home libraries of our people, and to encourage a diligent study of the same;

We recommend, That the union conference committee and the local conference committees give careful consideration to the following:

1. Encouraging ministers, Bible workers, church elders, and other workers to make special continuous efforts to acquaint our people with the importance of and to promote the sale of these books in public and private.

2. Providing liberal and uniform discounts, thus making it possible for every family to purchase freely of these valuable books.

3. Laying plans for special studies on the Spirit of prophecy and promotion of the books containing the writings of the same at all camp meetings held during the year.

Health Magazine

WHEREAS, In the three years since the founding of the magazine, *Health*, God has signally blessed the ministry of this splendid exponent of rational living so that now thousands of public schools, libraries, homes, and offices of business and professional men are receiving *Health* every month;

Resolved, (1) That our conferences and institutions, our workers and laity stand squarely behind the magazine, *Health*, to give it the circulation it merits.

(2) That each Seventh-day Adventist home in this union take advantage of the new low price of 75 cents for a yearly subscription to Adventists.

Criticism

WHEREAS, Persistent, insidious efforts are made by certain unfaithful individuals to undermine confidence in the leadership of the church and to weaken love among brethren; and,

WHEREAS, We are living in an age in which suspicion and distrust has brought mankind into great peril;

We recommend, That as workers and members of the North Pacific Union Conference, we refrain from all evil speaking and that we endeavor so to live and labor as to avoid offense, thus building up mutual confidence and cooperation; and,

We further recommend, That in the spirit of Christ and in harmony with the Bible, faithful efforts be made to safe-guard the church against the influence of those who would bring in criticism, disorder, or apostasy.

Standards

WHEREAS, The powers of moral depravity are increasing on every hand, and

WHEREAS, Many of our members surrounded by these perils are in great spiritual danger,

We recommend, That our ministers and members study anew the high standards of Christian living and moral conduct set forth in the Word of God and emphasized in recent statements by the General Conference, and that we make an earnest endeavor to exemplify these divine principles in our own lives.

Workers' Personal Finances

WHEREAS, It brings our cause into embarrassment and disrepute when our workers do not conduct their personal financial affairs so that they can live within their means, we reaffirm our stand regarding ministerial standards as follows:

1. That our workers arrange their personal financial budgets so as to live within their regular income.

2. That proper and satisfactory arrangements be made by workers for all financial obligations before transference to another conference.

3. That our workers do not in any way seek personal gifts from our people, discussing their financial affairs, when necessary, with their employing bodies rather than with members of the church.

4. That we take our stand positively against all private enterprises or sidelines designed to supplement the workers' income that would divide their interests and that would encroach upon the time and strength rightfully belonging to conference work.

Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary

WHEREAS, The Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary, formerly known as the Advanced Bible School, has been brought into being at this time as a means of definitely increasing the efficiency of the Bible teachers and other gospel workers of this movement; therefore,

Resolved, That the North Pacific Union Conference Fifth Quadrennial Session, hereby pledges its moral and tangible support to the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary, and will endeavor to provide for a reasonable number of its Bible teachers, ministers, and other workers to receive its benefits in the field of advanced training.

Missions Extension

WHEREAS, The Missions Extension Offering is to be taken April 24, and in view of the action passed by the Autumn Council, and in harmony with the suggestion of the General Confer-

ence Home Missionary Department that the North Pacific Union accept the \$6695.15 goal;

We recommend, That this be apportioned to the conferences as follows:

Alaska	\$ 75.00
Idaho	300.00
Montana	300.00
Oregon	2520.15
Upper Columbia	2000.00
Washington	1500.00
	\$6695.15

Where an individual desires to raise money for the Missions Extension Fund goal through the sale of literature;

We recommend, The use of the two books, "The Cup That Cheers" and the "Hour of Destiny," and the *Health* magazine.

Win One

We recommend, That our church boards appoint spiritual leaders for their missionary bands and train them for efficient personal work and leadership that the entire church membership may be marshalled into the Win One program, and that effective methods may be used to hold members from apostatizing.

Missionary Service

We recommend, That the weekly missionary service after the close of Sabbath school be conducted with dispatch, using only such time as is necessary to collect missionary reports and give needed instructions for current activities.

Health Education

WHEREAS, The fundamental principles of health education as held by the Seventh-day Adventist denomination are not as fully understood as they should be;

We recommend, (1) That more diligent study be given to this subject in the home, that the parental influence may be a positive force in child training.

(2) That thought and study be given to the maintenance of health, and correction of the physical defects of the school child.

(3) That Home Hygiene classes be taught in as many of our churches as possible.

Health Reform

In view of the fundamental place that health reform principles are designed to occupy in the Advent movement, we as the worker body of the North Pacific Union Conference hereby pledge our allegiance to the following principles adopted by the 1936 Autumn Council:

"We are told that 'when the third angel's message is received in its fullness, health reform will be given its

place in the councils of the conference, in the work of the church, in the home, at the table, and in all the household arrangements.' (Vol. 6, p. 327)

"We express as our conviction that there has been, in some measure through the years, a failure to heed this counsel. We appreciate the loyalty to this instruction which has marked the lives of many of our devoted brethren and sisters. We recognize also that the large majority of our workers have been true to these principles. It is to be regretted, however, that some have not fully sensed the responsibility of leadership in being examples to the church in the observance of health principles. We believe that the time has fully come when the principles of healthful living should be given their heaven-designed place in the practice and teaching of every church leader and of the church at large.

"We, therefore as the representatives of the Seventh-day Adventist church assembled in Autumn Council, voice our high regard for the principles of health given to this people. We recommend that these principles receive the hearty and sympathetic support of our leaders and people throughout the world.

"It would be quite impossible to specify the various details of these principles. They pertain to the food we eat and the air we breathe, to exercise and rest, to the use of water for drinking and bathing and in the treatment of disease, to the clothing we wear, to our homes and their surroundings, to the non-use of drugs and narcotics, to the preparation of food and a balanced dietary, to the state of the mind in its influence on the functioning of the physical organs, and other details too numerous to mention in this connection.

"We believe that the question of diet constitutes a very important phase of healthful living; and because of the great danger to health attending the use of flesh foods, that our workers and people, especially under conditions where a balanced nonflesh dietary is available, should choose their dietary from non-flesh foods, making use of flesh only under exceptional circumstances as an emergency food.

"Our workers should present to the church of Christ our health principles the same as every other phase of present truth, and by their own personal example lead the members of the church in faithful obedience to the instruction we have received. Every individual should apply these principles faithfully in his own personal experience and in a spirit of generosity to his brethren. We call upon every con-

ference and institutional worker throughout the world field to unite with us in this high and holy purpose.

We recommend, That instruction in health principles be given in connection with our coming union conference sessions, and in our camp meetings and other important church gatherings as can consistently be done, thus carrying into effect the resolutions regarding the question of health teaching which were passed at the last General Conference."

Religious Liberty

Due to the widespread demand for the repeal or enforcement of Sunday laws in the various cities and states within the Union Conference;

We recommend, That a continuous campaign be conducted with a view to informing the public as to the religious liberty issues that confront the people of this country, and

In view of the fact that the League of Nations has placed the revised calendar issue on their agenda, and have referred it to the member nations of the league for study;

We recommend, That an earnest effort be made to place this issue before the churches of all faiths, and that the appeal made by the spring meeting of the General Conference Committee be circulated as widely as possible during this year in our entire territory.

We recommend, also, That a united effort be made by our workers and people to place the new and enlarged *Liberty* magazine with its important message on religious liberty and calendar reform in the hands of public men and in general circulation in the homes of the people of this territory.

Temperance

WHEREAS, The forces of liquor are mighty and intemperance is rapidly increasing as shown in the present enormous consumption of intoxicating liquors;

We recommend, That an earnest, practical, and continuous effort be made to stem the growing tide of this great evil and to rescue our fellow men bound in the slavery of the drink habit by:

1. Circulation of our good literature on temperance.

2. Lectures against the vice of intemperance.

3. Voting in favor of the cause of temperance whenever an opportunity to do so presents itself.

4. General campaign of education in the home and in the neighborhood in favor of the great cause of temperance.

Appreciation

Resolved, That we express our appreciation to the brethren and sisters and friends of College Place, and to the

faculty and students of Walla Walla College for the hospitality and many courtesies extended to the delegates and visitors during the time of this conference session.

Resolved, That we express to the newspapers, especially the *Walla Walla Union* and the *Walla Walla Bulletin*, our appreciation for their courtesies and liberality in so fully reporting the conference proceedings.

Educational Report

As I look back over the past five years, I feel that God has blessed us in our educational work in the North Pacific Union Conference.

Secondary Work

Despite the depression, every academy plant is in a much better condition today than it was five years ago. Time will not permit us to consider

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each school separately, but our conferences have not neglected their school plant even during the financial stress.

Industries have been started in many of our academies. Gem State has started a bakery and a cannery; Auburn has operated a woodwork shop that is doing over \$2,000 worth of business a month; Columbia has built a bakery and has a tract of wood that has been giving boys work in cutting and delivering firewood; and Laurelwood has developed a dairy of 54 cows and has installed a Pasteurizer. Their total sale of milk and cream for the last year amounts to \$20,362.80. They have also started a bakery.

The Medford Academy was brought up to a twelve-grade academy last year, and has a report for only this year.

The enrollment for the past five years in our academies, according to

the mid-year reports, has been as follows:

Academy	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937
Auburn Academy	91	103	116	104	173*
Columbia Academy	62	81	102	99	117*
Gem State Academy	60	62	87	101	110*
Laurelwood Academy	152	185	191	205	242*
Medford Academy					35*
Mount Ellis Academy	38	46	59	55	67*
W. W. College Academy	87	85	114*	113	110
Yakima Valley Academy	65	57	74	71	124*

Totals 555 619 743 748 978*

* Largest during five-year period.

Every academy, except Medford, is running to capacity, for which we thank the Lord. Plans are on foot to raise Portland Junior Academy to a twelve-grade school as soon as the board can make the proper arrangements.

Our intermediate schools have also increased during the past five years. They have proved themselves to be feeders to our academies, as a student will seldom go from our ten-grade school into a high school. He just does not fit in the high school. The number of intermediate schools (carrying 9th and 10th grade work) and the number of students enrolled in grades nine and ten in these schools, are shown by years in the table below.

Year	Schools	Students
1933	14	144
1934	23	181
1935	28	214
1936	30	263
1937	29	212

Elementary

The conditions in the elementary field are far brighter today than they were five years ago. Our faithful church school teachers are to be commended for the good work they have done for us.

Five years ago, the salaries were on the down grade. Your Union Educational Board guided the churches in the drop of salary throughout the depression. The lowest salary paid in this Union was equivalent to \$30.00 a month, and the salary was that low in only a few exceptional cases. It might be interesting to you to compare the average salary paid for the last four years with what we are paying at the present time.

Year	Number Teachers	Average Salary
1933	100	\$29.00*
1934	105	29.00*
1935	117	34.00*
1936	119	41.41†
1937	127	49.81†

* Cash only. † Includes evaluation of room and board when part of pay.

Five years ago, over five thousand dollars were owed our teachers in back salary. Some of these accounts

went back as far as eighteen years. We are glad to report that all such accounts have been satisfactorily settled, and in some cases where churches had been disbanded the conferences made the payment from conference funds. Our conference presidents, superintendents, pastors, and churches, have loyally supported the program of paying the salaries of our teachers, so that today I can truly say that as far as we know, no teacher in the North Pacific Union is being owed one cent on salary for last year or for any previous year. This was cleaned up during the depression.

At the recent Fall Council, the church school teacher's salary was fixed to begin at \$50.00 and to go as high as \$80.00 a month. The following scale has been adopted by the Union Educational Board for the North Pacific Union Conference, beginning next fall:

Single teachers, begin at \$50.00 per four-week month. Maximum, \$80.00.

Married man whose wife does not teach, from \$60.00 to \$80.00 per four-week month.

Married couple, both teaching, begin at \$85.00.

An increase in salary is to be made when the teacher has taught successfully for one year."

The enrollment in the elementary schools in the Union for the last five years has been as follows, according to the mid-year reports:

Year	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937
Enrollment	1661	1737	1842	1969	2039

Teacher Preparation. You may be interested to know that the North Pacific Union leads the North American Division in teacher preparation. We have a larger percentage of normal graduates teaching in our schools than has any other union, according to the summaries sent out by the General Conference Department of Education. We received no reports for 1935 and 1936, but we do have one for 1934 and for 1937, from which I glean the following:

Unions	1934		1937	
	No. T'chers	% Nor. Grads.	No. T'chers	% Nor. Grads.
North Pacific	106	72.6	125	64
Atlantic	56	69.6	55	59
Pacific	193	53.8	213	48
Columbia	111	44.1	131	42
Lake	114	39.4	114	36
Southern	115	35.6	134	30
Southwestern	105	35.2	94	23
Central	122	31.1	122	24

Alaska. Alaska's first church school was started this year in Ketchikan. While Elder Slade, Elder Wood, and I were there last spring, interest in a school started, but we thought that we

would not be able to open until the fall of 1937. After we left, our brethren there decided they wanted one this year. Miss Eloise Crowley from Oregon is the teacher. Calls are coming in at the present time for more church schools in Alaska.

College

In passing, I want to give the college enrollment for the past five years. It is taken from the mid-year reports. I am sure we are all happy to see this enrollment increasing year by year.

Year	Enrollment
1933	336
1934	340
1935	451
1936	465
1937	498

Conclusion

In closing, we feel that we must call your attention to two situations in which you can help us. First, we must keep up our efforts to encourage

members than we had nine years ago. The table below will give you the exact figures, based on mid-year reports and corresponding January 1 church membership. Are we "selling" Christian education to our new converts? Is it possible that our old members are not as faithful as they used to be? This I do know, that where the doctrine of Christian education has been strongly preached by our evangelists, new church schools have sprung up and old schools have added rooms and teachers.

Year	Enrollment per 100 Church Members
1929	26.5
1930	25.7
1931	23.4
1932	19.7
1933	17.4
1934	17.4
1935	18.3
1936	18.3
1937	18.96

Our schools are cities of refuge for our youth, and yet over half of our young people are not found in them. Shall we not return to our flock with a new determination to have every Seventh-day Adventist youth of school age in a Seventh-day Adventist school?

G. S. BELLEAU, Secretary.

Report of Home Missionary Department

THE report of the Home Missionary Department for the years 1932 to 1936, inclusive, is a review of the church at study and at work. The aim of the Department is personal work for every member and guidance in service. Ours is a message to be given to the whole world by the whole church.

Our denominational plan is for each church board to act as the Missionary Committee of the church, with a duly elected missionary leader and secretary. The greatest problem facing us is to hold the members we win, while continuing to win many more. Our denominational figures in this have revealed as high as three lost to five won. We need a great spiritual awakening to arouse us from the lethargy of a Laodicean state. Reports for the past five years show that 1,535 have been added to the Union by the work of the laymen.

We read in "Christian Service," page 253, "The great outpouring of the Spirit of God, which lightens the whole earth with his glory, will not come until we have an enlightened people, that know by experience what it means to be laborers together with God."

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young people to attend college and take the normal course. We must never rest satisfied until we have well trained teachers in all our schools. This coming school year, we could use some fifty or sixty more normal graduates in our schools, yet only about five are finishing the two and three year normal courses, because we encouraged a large number of the class that should be graduating this year to go into teaching last fall. As you go back to your churches, will you not encourage our girls to prepare themselves as teachers for our elementary school system? We must have your cooperation if we succeed.

Second, although we have shown an increase in the enrollment of youth in our schools for the past five years, yet the increase has not kept pace with the increase in church membership. Today we have less students in our schools (grades 1 to 16) per 100 church

calls for organization. "Time is short, and our forces must be organized to do a larger work."—Vol. IX, p. 27.

Satan has always opposed organization. This opposition was the basic cause of his fall. Every movement that God has endorsed has been an organized movement spiritualized by His power. It is said of the Children of Israel even though marching out of slavery, "And the children of Israel went up harnessed (margin: five in a rank) out of the land of Egypt." Exodus 13:18.

In Exodus 18:21 we read this instruction followed by Moses, "Moreover thou shalt provide out of all the people able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness; and place such over them, to be rulers of thousands, and rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens."

So many times this plan of organization that has been given to us stops before it reaches the band unit. It should carry out to the "rulers of tens." Our denominational program has adopted the Sabbath school class as the unit of band organization. The weakest link in our whole organization is the training of leaders for these small units—band leaders who as trained personal workers will know the spiritual needs of every member of their bands and how to minister to those needs. We can never strike as a single man for the finishing of our task until we have trained leaders with a vision of the task who can inspire and rally their units of ten to strike as one man for the finishing of their part of the task. We can always have heroic accounts of the valorous deeds of an individual, but the completion of our great task calls for a united, organized effort of the church.

The years under review show progress in band organization with which we are all pleased.

AVERAGE NO. CHURCHES HAVING CLASS-BAND ORGANIZATION

Conference	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936
Alaska	—	—	1	—	—
Idaho	4	9	13	14	20
Montana	3	7	6	9	10
Oregon	25	35	52	55	81
Upper Columbia	26	31	33	40	55
Washington	9	12	14	17	19
Union	67	94	119	135	185

One of the agencies that facilitates the successful class-band organization is the weekly missionary meeting. We are getting away more and more from this meeting's being a preaching time. It is for gathering reports, giving out supplies, missionary announcements, a check-up time for band leaders for

promoting the service program of the church.

AVERAGE NO. CHURCHES HOLDING WEEKLY MISSIONARY MEETING

Conference	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936
Alaska	—	—	1	—	1
Idaho	9	13	14	16	20
Montana	3	5	9	11	11
Oregon	26	41	50	49	63
Upper Columbia	31	45	45	47	55
Washington	17	19	23	26	30
Union	86	123	142	149	180

No people in the world take such joy in the reports of the onward progress of the message as this people. Some hold back on reporting, saying they do not want to let the left hand know what the right hand is doing.

In Volume I page 193, the following comment is made, "With many, the left hand does not know what the right hand does, for the right hand does nothing worthy of notice of the left hand. . . . I was shown that this scripture does not apply to those who have the cause of God at heart. . . . The good works of the children of God are the most effectual preaching that the unbeliever has."

AVERAGE PER CENT REPORTING

Conference	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936
Alaska	—	32	29	22	19
Idaho	31	37	46	53	40
Montana	13	32	28	37	30
Oregon	31	39	39	41	42
Upper Columbia	34	32	33	35	42
Washington	35	39	39	34	42
Union	31	35	38	37	40

The General Conference has recognized that a real educational program is needed. The first Sabbath has been set aside for this purpose. It is important that an offering be taken and a report given. \$21,135.10 has been given in Home Missionary offerings during the past five years. While the *Gazette* program may not always be followed, we trust that proper instruction may be given the church on how to do soul-winning work.

AVERAGE NO. CHURCHES HOLDING FIRST SABBATH MISSIONARY SERVICE

Conference	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936
Alaska	—	2	2	3	3
Idaho	7	11	12	17	19
Montana	3	5	7	10	12
Oregon	22	38	43	56	58
Upper Columbia	15	20	25	31	46
Washington	14	19	20	21	27
Union	61	95	109	138	165

We are promoting three training classes in our churches to assist our band leaders. It is the duty of the church board to appoint a Bible Evangelism leader to train members how to give Bible readings and hold cottage meetings. Our goal is at least one cottage meeting for every church.

AVERAGE NO. BIBLE EVANGELISM CLASSES

Conference	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936
Alaska	—	—	—	—	—
Idaho	—	3	5	12	11
Montana	—	7	4	5	3
Oregon	4	20	24	23	22
Upper Columbia	2	8	8	21	46
Washington	—	11	8	9	6
Union	6	49	49	70	88

Since 1932 it has been reported that 135,423 Bible readings have been given in the Union as a result of these Bible evangelism classes.

The distribution of our literature is one means by which the message is to be proclaimed. Let every believer scatter broadcast tracts and leaflets and books containing the message for this time. As an aid to assist our band leaders to enlist their members in literature work we are asking each church missionary committee to appoint a literature ministry leader for the organization and training of members. Here is our photo:

AVERAGE NO. LITERATURE BANDS

Conference	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936
Alaska	—	—	1	—	—
Idaho	2	7	8	19	23
Montana	3	6	12	6	5
Oregon	13	39	45	51	81
Upper Columbia	15	16	24	34	57
Washington	8	19	19	19	19
Union	41	87	109	129	185

Since 1932 5,186,615 tracts, books, and papers have been given away by these literature bands. To follow these up 115,890 missionary letters have been sent out.

Our greatest systematic literature effort is with our pioneer missionary paper, *The Signs of the Times*. We are pleased with the way our people here scatter this paper.

"SIGNS OF THE TIMES" SUBSCRIPTION LIST

Conference	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936
Alaska	128	45	53	108	79
Idaho	625	563	739	856	885
Montana	686	296	551	865	886
Oregon	2649	2255	2941	3552	3925
Upper Columbia	2054	1264	1957	2486	2914
Washington	1444	1244	2137	1990	2568
Union	7586	5667	8378	9857	11257

The third great training feature to assist band leaders in preparing members for service is our welfare and Dorcas work. Regarding this we have the following instruction:

"This work cannot be done by proxy. . . . By visiting the people, talking, praying, sympathizing with them, you will win hearts. This is the highest missionary work that you can do."—Vol. IX, p. 41.

AVERAGE NO. DORCAS SOCIETIES

Conference	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936
Alaska	—	—	1	—	—
Idaho	4	7	9	13	17
Montana	3	9	13	10	16
Oregon	22	29	37	47	56
Upper Columbia	12	16	24	31	42
Washington	7	14	20	27	25
Union	48	75	104	128	156

Our people have been faithful in their missionary endeavors.

HOME MISSIONARY ITEMS

Persons Helped	491,423
Articles Clothing Given	296,783
Missionary Visits	422,245
Persons Taken to S. S.	227,386
Treatments Given	69,429

We appreciate the splendid response of our people in Harvest Ingathering. The years under review show the following results:

HARVEST INGATHERING, NORTH PACIFIC UNION CONFERENCE

Conf.	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936
Alaska	1234.55	744.26	753.39	1036.52	1232.10
Idaho	2435.38	2732.35	4999.17	5353.81	5829.45
Mont.	2671.17	2853.75	4732.43	5423.46	5654.93
Ore.	11740.80	12280.42	21883.75	24297.29	30222.36
Up. Col.	7440.18	8267.38	13306.21	16156.39	17967.76
Wash.	10915.44	11344.48	15015.55	15343.68	15892.51

Union 36437.52 38222.64 60690.50 67611.15 76799.11

There are some other items we should mention, but the time does not permit. We wish to praise our Heavenly Father for these encouraging results. This report has been made possible by the splendid foundation laid in former years, and the loyal cooperation of every worker and member. We wish to express appreciation to Elder E. K. Slade, the president of the Home Missionary Department of the Union, the Union staff, and to the conference presidents and home missionary secretaries for their cooperation that has made this report possible.

We have a strong staff of secretaries in our conferences. Elder F. A. Detamore in Oregon, Elder E. M. Oberg in Washington, Elder L. A. Reynolds in Upper Columbia, Elder H. S. Hanson in Idaho, and Elder J. R. Nelson who has just joined our staff in Montana.

May we set our faces in 1937 toward enlisting every member in our Union in the greatest soul-winning effort in our history. The times demand it. May we consecrate our lives to its accomplishment.

L. E. ESTEB.

Order the "REVIEW and HERALD" during the month of April for only \$2.00 for a year.

Obituaries

Jones.—Hannah Kelsey Jones was born March 16, 1847, in LeRoy Michigan, and died at Caldwell, Idaho, January 12, 1937. She was a daughter of early pioneers in this message, her parents being members of the first Seventh-day Adventist church in Michigan. She became a Sabbath keeper when five years of age and has been a faithful believer for almost eighty-five years. Associated with Sister White and the pioneers of the message she had seen the wonderful progress that has been made along all lines. Triumphant she lay down in steadfast hope of arising in the first resurrection. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

S. W. Munro.

Haynes.—Mrs. Anna S. Haynes, nee Stiles, was born June 10, 1849, at North Plains, Mich., and died at Wenatchee, Wash., Jan. 25 1937. All of her early life was spent in Michigan. She was married April, 1866, to James B. Haynes. To this union were born five sons and two daughters. The family moved to Aberdeen, Wash., in 1885 where she has lived ever since.

Sister Haynes was a woman of more than ordinary gifts. Her ancestors, the Stiles and Sessions families, came from England to America about 1630. Among them were many educators, ministers, and law makers. She will be remembered as a charming conversationalist, a woman of sound judgment, a Christian of deep sympathies.

Her father, Ora B. Stiles, was a Sabbath keeper before she was born. He had gone through the disappointment of 1844 and joined the Seventh-day Adventist church shortly after it was organized. Sister Haynes was a charter member in the Aberdeen church, a faithful worker, and a wise counselor. Her Christian experience was steady and true to the very last.

Five children, fourteen grandchildren, and fifteen great grandchildren survive her. She was laid to rest to await the call of the Life-giver.

E. N. Sargeant.

Hobbs.—George Alfred Hobbs was born February 27, 1851, near Sheridan, in La Salle County, Illinois, and died January 17, 1937, at Oregon City, Oregon. Becoming an orphan in early childhood the burden of his care and training rested upon his grandparents who were among the pioneers of that part of the then termed West. He grew up to manhood under very frugal surroundings. Reaching manhood he was married to Alice Melissa Bernard in 1873. To them were born three children. Just prior to their marriage they with other members of the family and community embraced the truths of the Seventh-day Adventist faith in 1871 under the labors of T. M. Steward, G. W. Colcord, and R. F. Andrews who were holding tent meetings in Northville, Illinois. The Hobbs Settlement on the Fox River thereafter became the headquarters of itinerating Seventh-day laborers such as A. A. John, C. H. Bliss, B. F. Meritt, O. A. Hammond, A. O. Tait and others, for many years. The first Seventh-day Adventist church in that part of the state was built on their farm. The Hobbs families provided the major part of the money required to send R. F. Andrews as a missionary to Ireland. Soon after conversion,

Brother Hobbs had a desire to engage in evangelistic work, and to prepare himself for such an endeavor, about the year 1877, he with his wife attended Battle Creek College for a short time, returning to Illinois to act as tent master for Elder D. T. Borden. Elder A. O. Tait who was just starting out in his ministerial career preached his first sermon in the Hobbs home. Owing to illness of his grandparents he was compelled to return home to look after business interests. In the early eighties circumstances were such that he was able to move to Battle Creek again that he might provide educational advantages for his children. He obtained employment in the Review and Herald Publishing house where he was employed for about ten years, holding various positions of responsibility during that period. Failing health compelled him to seek a less rigorous climate so in the year 1891 he left Michigan and went to California. During that summer he learned of the decision to build a school in the vicinity of Walla Walla, Washington. Going to that place, after staying a few weeks he decided to locate there. Returning to Michigan he moved his family to Milton, Oregon, arriving there December 24, 1891. Being a carpenter he secured employment in building Walla Walla College during the summer of 1892. During his forty-years residence in various Oregon communities, he has held many positions of responsibility. He died with a firm belief in the fundamental doctrines of the Seventh-day Adventist faith as taught in earlier years.

Left to mourn are his wife, three children, Charles D. of Milton, Marie Leona Nichols, of Portland and Guy R. of Oregon City, Oregon, seven grandchildren and five great grandchildren. Services were conducted at Milton, Oregon, by Elders F. A. Tracy and S. H. Kime.

ADVERTISEMENTS

FOR SALE.—Ten acre ranch on highway near academy. Some alfalfa, plowing done. Owner sick. Small house and barn. \$650 cash. Mrs. Sam Staley, Granger, Wash.

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST YOUNG MAN wishes work as janitor and handy man around Adventist institution. For reference and particulars, write Box 235, Bozeman, Montana.

RHODE ISLAND RED CHICKS 12c. B.W.D. tested. Whitaker strain. Hens mated to pedigreed males from 240 to 295 hens. R. R. Thrasher, Wallula, Wash.

THREE ACRES AND SECURITY.—The Magazine of Small-Area Intensive Agriculture. April issue in circulation March 1, 1937. Send ten cents for sample copy. S. W. Porter, publisher, Room 8, Professional Building, Elgin, Illinois.

WANTED.—An energetic S. D. A. sawmill man to operate a small sawmill in southwestern Oregon. Must be experienced in sawmill practice, and a good sawyer. Three and one-half million feet of virgin fir. Church school privileges. Give qualifications and references in first letter. Address, Chetco Mill, 430 Third St., Woodland, Calif.

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Sunset Table

Friday, April 2, 1937

Medford	6:37
Portland	6:41
Seattle	6:40
Spokane	6:21
Walla Walla	6:23
Wenatchee	6:31
Boise	7:13
Pocatello	6:57
Billings	6:44
Havre	6:51
Helena	6:58
Miles City	6:33
Missoula	7:06

Report of Religious Liberty

DURING the five-year term now ending a Religious Liberty secretary has been maintained in each of the local conferences of the North Pacific Union. We have been fully organized and in constant readiness for prompt action in the event of legislation or prosecution affecting the liberties of our people. On several occasions Sunday law legislation has been attempted, calling for readiness on the part of our local officers to appear before legislative bodies in the interest of Religious Liberty. This situation makes it necessary to keep intact the departmental organization from the local conference up to the General Conference with constant readiness to meet issues as they may suddenly arise in any section.

There is no public demand for Sunday laws. As strikes are usually developed by a few impetuous agitators, so laws of an oppressive nature are sponsored by a few religious zealots who lead legislators, who know too little about the rights of citizens to give support to such unconstitutional measures. For a number of years, with the help of God, we have held back and defeated many attempts at such legislation in our national Congress and in most of our state legislative bodies. The maintenance of the department must be obvious to all. We must continue to educate the pub-

lic by the use of our excellent literature. *Liberty*, the official organ of the department, should be used more extensively. It is well equipped for bringing to the people just the light they need in these days when our constitutional guarantees are so jeopardized and our liberties are so much in danger. As in other lines, we have been made custodians of special light regarding the functions and limitations of governments involving this question of personal, civil, and religious liberty. We will need to do more than we have done in the past. Great issues are before us and ours is the great task of letting the light shine to the enlightening of our public men who will be strongly pressed to enact oppressive laws.

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All of our conferences have used *Liberty* year by year with good results. Many of the legislators and leading men of our states have been supplied with *Liberty* and from time to time we learn of excellent results from this literature. We shall need to continue this work and do even more in this line. Even though we may not hope continually to stay such legislation, we must give the light which God has so graciously entrusted to us.

E. K. SLADE.

THE COLPORTEUR WORK

D. E. COLLINS
Union Field Secretary

IDAHO CONFERENCE

N. H. Waters, Field Secretary

Week Ending March 13, 1937

Colporteur	Book	Hours	Orders	Deliv.
Rose Budd	BR	30	5.50	
Mrs. A. M. Wallace	BPS	37	84.50	13.75
Totals		67	90.00	13.75

IDAHO CONFERENCE

N. H. Waters, Field Secretary

Week Ending March 20, 1937

Colporteur	Book	Hours	Orders	Deliv.
Angeline Budd	BR	31	1.50	13.50
Mrs. A. M. Wallace	BPS	37	70.75	41.00
Rose Budd	BR	33	18.00	5.25
Totals		101	90.25	59.75

MONTANA CONFERENCE

N. J. Aaboe, Field Secretary

Week Ending March 20, 1937

Colporteur	Book	Hours	Orders	Deliv.
F. W. Teufert	BR	44	25.25	3.70
L. E. Metcalf	DD	41	29.50	18.00
Alice Hamlin	DD	32	12.00	
Madge Muchmore	DD	34	19.50	
Mrs. L. Groom	BR	22	25.75	
Carl Olson	HP	32	45.50	3.00
Totals		205	157.50	24.70

OREGON CONFERENCE

C. S. Johnson, Field Secretary

Week Ending March 20, 1937

Colporteur	Book	Hours	Orders	Deliv.
O. V. Fellows	GC	46	80.35	1.60
B. T. Myers	GC	43	27.75	
M. Clark	BR	40	22.50	10.25
J. H. Griffin	HP	30	58.75	
H. B. Johnson	HP	29	24.50	17.25
H. H. Guffey	ND	26	4.15	4.15
L. E. Emery	BR	25	19.75	
R. E. Hathaway	HP	25	7.80	12.30
C. Erwin	BR	17	15.00	8.75
Nellie Lee	Mag	33	4.55	4.55
Mrs. Schuren	"	24	17.40	17.40
Mrs. Goodrich	"	23	18.80	18.80
R. F. Oakes	GC	20	2.75	13.25
Mrs. Elliott	Mag	9	4.20	4.20
Henry Hansen	HP	8	1.50	2.50
W. C. Christensen	Mag	6	3.00	3.00
Mrs. Anna Parker	"	1	3.00	3.00
James Phillips	"		1.80	1.80
Miscellaneous	"	36	.15	.15
Totals		441	317.70	122.95

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE

G. E. Lindquist, Field Secretary

Week Ending March 20, 1937

Colporteur	Book	Hours	Orders	Deliv.
Mrs. Austerlough	BR	33	49.00	8.25
M. Blakeslee	BR	42	39.75	5.25
R. Cooper	HP	40	36.00	9.75
F. W. Drake	GC	32	11.25	35.00
S. C. Hartnell	BTS			12.00
S. C. Hansen	HP	40	44.80	2.80
Mrs. T. K. Hume	BL	24	7.50	
R. E. Jacobus	BL	22	7.50	
J. W. Lawrence	BR	40	32.25	17.00
F. N. Munroe	BL	12	3.75	14.25
D. H. Shoop	BR	44	47.00	2.25
Clifford Smith	Misc			7.75
Totals		329	278.80	114.30

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